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Hon. James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Office of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: 7,300' Sand, Reservoir A
Lake Fortuna Field
Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of the **AMERADA HESS CORPORATION** for the calling of a public hearing after legal notice to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the 7,300' Sand, Reservoir A, in Lake Fortuna Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana:

1. To establish rules and regulations and to create a single reservoirwide unit comprised of the entirety of the 7,300' Sand, Reservoir A, in Lake Fortuna Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, as shown on the attached plat, all in accordance with the provisions of Section 5C of Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes (Act 441 of 1960), as amended.
2. To recognize that it is not necessary to force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within said unit because the proposed reservoirwide unit underlies a single lease.
3. To authorize the injection of produced water into the subject interval in connection with the applicant's proposed secondary recovery and pressure maintenance project.
4. To designate Amerada Hess Corporation as unit operator and its State Lease 14564 Nos. 2-D, 4 and 5-D as unit wells.

5. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The 7,300' Sand, Reservoir A, in Lake Fortuna Field, is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 7,210 feet and 7360 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Amerada Hess Corporation (formerly LLOG Exploration Company) – State Lease 14564 No. 2 Well, located in Block 2, Main Pass Area, Offshore Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

Pertinent data concerning this proposal can be obtained, **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY** by contacting Louis Gilbert at 3636 North Causeway Boulevard, Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002, Telephone Number 504/834-8112.

Because this application is for creation of a reservoirwide unit, a pre-application conference is not required; however, should any party receiving a copy of this letter have any questions concerning this matter, the undersigned should be notified.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the proposed reservoirwide unit and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Rules of Procedure, the list of parties is being furnished **only** to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. However, the list of parties will be provided to any party requesting a copy of it. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested parties, represented parties and interested parties.

Finally, enclosed is our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00 **made payable to the Office of Conservation** and representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,



Richard W. Revels, Jr.

RWRjr/dbf
Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson, Lafayette District Office of Conservation
cc: Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

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X=2,600,000

BLOCK 2

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HUMBLE
S.L. 03668

FRANKS
S.L. 03668

AMERADA
S.L. 14564

AMERADA
S.L. 14564

AM. NAT.
S.L. 07948

1
8,000'

173'
4
8,319'

590' (LLOG)
2-D
8,000'

5-D
584'
8,000'

3
8,900'

1
9,030'

(YUMA/LLOG)

AMERADA
S.L. 14564

PHILLIPS
S.L. 02191
1
13,017'

SL 14564

MAIN PASS AREA

13

HESS

Proposed Unit
7,300' Sand

Date:

0' 1000' 2000' 3000'

Geo-Draft, Inc.
(504) 836-2882

Geology: LOUIS GILBERT & ASSOCIATES, INC.

R 18 E

BLOCK 3

T 16 S

○ - COMPLETION

△ - INJECTION

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EXHIBIT No.

DOCKET No.

AMERADA HESS CORPORATION
U.S. ONSHORE EXPLORATION

LAKE FORTUNA FIELD
PLAQUEMINES PARISH, LOUISIANA